GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4016
ANSWERED ON:22.04.2008
ACTIVITIES OF HUJI IN NORTH EASTERN STATES
Rijiju Shri Kiren;Shukla Smt. Karuna

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that terrorist outfit of Bangladesh (HUJI) has consolidated its position in North-Eastern States, especially in Assam;

(b) if so, whether HUJI has established its base camps in Assam and particularly in the districts of Dhubri and Bongaigaon;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check the activities of HUJI?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SMT. RADHIKA V. SELVI)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the house.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SHABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4016 FOR 22.4.2008 REGARDING "ACTIVITIES OF HUJI IN NORTH EASTERN STATES".

(a) to (c): No specific inputs are available to suggest that Bangladesh based Herkat-Ul-Jehad-Islami (HUJI) has consolidated its position in North Eastern States and particularly in Assam nor there are any inputs to suggest that HUJI has established its base camps in Dhubri and Bongaigaon districts of Assam. However, there are reports that some insurgent groups from the North Eastern regions have links with Pakistan ISI and certain other fundamentalist/terrorist organizations from neighbouring countries such as Bangladesh based HUJI.

(d): The Government has been regularly taken up with Bangladeshi various security related matters including misuse of Bangladesh soil for activities inimical to india at different levels through diplomatic channels and institutional mechanisms existing between the two countries. In addition, efforts of the State Governments, who are primarily responsible for ensuring public order and security in their areas are being supplemented by the Central Government through various measures such as deployment of additional Central Security Forces to aid the State authorities with the objective of carrying out intensive counter insurgency operations and providing security for vulnerable institutions and installations based on threat assessment; vigilance and surveillance on the border,including construction of border fencing;sharing of intelligence, financial assistance for strengthening of the local Police Forces and intelligence agencies under the Police Modernization Scheme;Provision of assistance for strengthening various aspect of security apparatus and other aspects of anti-militancy operations by way of reimbursement of Security Related Expenditure;assistance to the States for raising of additional Forces in the form of India Reserve Battalions, etc.